

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

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1. A cutting tool comprising:
  - a first pair of scissors;
  - a second pair of scissors offset from the first pair of scissors by a first distance; and
  - a third pair of scissors offset from the second pair of scissors by a second distance,  
wherein each pair of scissors is movable independent of the other pairs of scissors.
2. The cutting tool of claim 1, wherein the first distance is equal to the second distance.
3. The cutting tool of claim 1, wherein each pair of scissors comprises:
  - a first elongated member including a handle portion and a cutting portion, the cutting portion including a cutting blade; and
  - a second elongated member pivotally coupled to the first elongated member, the second elongated member including a handle portion and a cutting portion, the cutting portion including a cutting blade.
4. The cutting tool of claim 3, further comprising:
  - a first spacing element disposed between the first and second pairs of scissors to offset the second pair of scissors from the first pair of scissors; and
  - a second spacing element disposed between the second and third pairs of scissors to offset the third pair of scissors from the second pair of scissors.
5. The cutting tool of claim 4, wherein the spacing elements are coupled to the handle portions of the first elongated members of the pairs of scissors.
6. The cutting tool of claim 3, further comprising a retaining member coupled to the handle portion of the first elongated member of each pair of scissors to secure the first elongated member of each pair of scissors together.

7. The cutting tool of claim 3, further comprising a standoff element mounted at one end to the second elongated member of the second pair of scissors and removably coupled at the other end to the second elongated member of the first pair of  
5 scissors, the standoff element removably coupling the second elongated member of the first and second pairs of scissors together.

8. The cutting tool of claim 1, further comprising a fourth pair of scissors offset from the third pair of scissors by a third fixed distance.

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9. A cutting tool comprising:  
a first pair of scissors;  
a second pair of scissors offset from the first pair of scissors by a first distance;

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a third pair of scissors offset from the second pair of scissors by a second distance; and

a retaining member coupled to each pair of scissors to secure the pairs of scissors together,

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wherein each pair of scissors comprises a first elongated member and a second elongated member pivotally coupled to the first elongated member, each elongated member including a handle portion and a cutting portion having a cutting blade, and

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wherein the retaining member is coupled to the first elongated member of each pair of scissors, such that the second elongated member of each pair of scissors is movable independent of the other pairs of scissors.

10. The cutting tool of claim 9, wherein the retaining member is coupled to the handle portion of the first elongated member of each pair of scissors.

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11. The cutting tool of claim 9, wherein the first distance is equal to the second distance.

12. The cutting tool of claim 9 further comprising:  
a first spacing element disposed between the first and second pairs of  
scissors to offset the second pair of scissors from the first pair of scissors; and  
a second spacing element disposed between the second and third pairs  
of scissors to offset the third pair of scissors from the second pair of scissors.

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13. The cutting tool of claim 12, wherein the first and second spacing  
elements are coupled to the handle portions of the first elongated members of the pairs  
of scissors.

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14. The cutting tool of claim 9, further comprising a standoff element  
mounted at one end to the second elongated member of the second pair of scissors and  
removably coupled at the other end to the second elongated member of the first pair of  
scissors, the standoff element securing the second elongated member of the first and  
15 second pairs of scissors together.

15. The cutting tool of claim 9, further comprising a fourth pair of scissors  
offset from the third pair of scissors by a third fixed distance.

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20 16. A method of cutting and styling hair comprising:  
directing a cutting tool along the length of a section of hair, the cutting  
tool including at least three pairs of scissors, the at least three pairs of scissors  
being spaced apart in parallel; and  
25 cutting a portion of the section of hair with the cutting tool.

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17. The method of claim 16, wherein directing the cutting tool includes  
directing the cutting tool from a top of the section of hair toward a bottom of the  
section of hair.

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18. The method of claim 16, wherein directing the cutting tool includes  
directing the cutting tool from a bottom of the section of hair toward a top of the  
section of hair.

19. The method of claim 16, further comprising:  
rotating the cutting tool such that the at least three pairs of scissors are  
transverse to the section of hair; and  
5 cutting another portion of the section of hair, such that hair along an  
inner portion of the section is longer than hair along an outer portion of the  
section.
20. The method of claim 16, wherein cutting a portion of the section of  
10 hair includes moving each of the at least three pairs of scissors independent of the  
other pairs of scissors.

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